

The Canadians who seized the American tug Telephone would better ring off.

Since the massacres in China the lives of vegetarians are not so long as those of meat eaters.

It is reported that the Comte de Castellane is losing his millions on the bourse. Who said poetic justice was a myth?

The blending of Blenheim with the house that Vanderbilt makes a bit of architecture of which no American is proud.

Russia is evidently bent upon striking out at England, even though it has to be done over the shoulder of Japan or Venezuela.

"Holmes can only be hanged once," says Chicago Tribune. But is there not some punishment for thus murdering the language?

Adrian Constantine Anson, the hero of many a home run, is now appearing in a drama especially built for himself. Clear the way for Capt. Anse.

Corbett announces with a flourish that he has fought his last fight. He will now go right on delivering uppercuts and cross-counters to the American drama.

A struggle between Russia and England for supremacy in China would mean a big boom to the publishers. Such a war would be bound to make many changes in the map world.

When a Pennsylvania married man and a Pennsylvania married woman, each nearly three-score and with large families of children, elope, let us hear no more of the follies of lovers young. Undoubtedly American children will have to look more after their parents. The indiscretions of age are becoming painfully numerous in all parts of the country.

No one could have more clearly or specifically shown the deplorable condition of affairs in Cuba than did Capt. E. B. Graham in the address which he read before the Loyal Legion. It would be a weak and degenerate people indeed who did not rebel against such grinding tyranny, and the spirit of true Americanism would be dead did it not sympathize with those struggling to throw off the Spanish yoke.

Miss Annie Redman claims that John Schug, of Berne, Ill., courted her for two and a half years, made her many presents of value, and wrote numerous letters in which he promised to make her his wife, but in July his ardor cooled and in September he wrote her that their relations were at an end. She remonstrated, but to no purpose, and now she has sued him for \$5,000. Queer, isn't it, how some love affairs turn out?

In New York there are cooking schools for men and in several parts of Pennsylvania the former heads of the families are compelled to remain at home and keep the children in line while the mothers attend church. If the new woman keeps right straight on and the lords of creation do nothing but whine their discontent she will soon be looking after everything except the babies and the rest of the household drudgery.

A man in Ohio, who had a grudge against the postmaster in his town, drank whisky and ate onions and then asked for his mail. The postmaster refused to wait on the breathing center and the man complained to the powers that be. After a careful investigation the inspector decided that the postmaster was justified in his stand. Much interest is now felt as to what action the postal authorities would advise regarding a customer who takes his onions straight.

From Leeds, England, come samples of a species of cloth, and also a sort of cotton, made wholly out of wood fibre, these two woven pieces having all the appearance of attractive articles of their own kind, says an exchange. Both these novel textile fabrics are the result of prolonging experiments with pine wood and spruce, which have been ingeniously torn to pieces in the first instance and bleached by an elaborate chemical process. After chemical treatment in many ways the wood becomes a soft white pulp, which is run through perforated plates, the resulting threads being dried by a steaming process. These threads can be woven, and the material is susceptible of taking readily any sort of dye. The fabric can be made at an astonishingly cheap cost; it looks well, and has a certain amount of strength (experiments in this connection are now being carried out), and its appearance on the market, sooner or later, is absolutely certain, especially in the form of imitation cotton.

A BROTHER'S CURSES.

HARRY HAYWARD'S FAREWELL TO ADRY.

The Minneapolis Murderer Pours Out His Wrath on His Brother in a Most Unnatural Manner—Anathemas Heaped Upon Him.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 9.—Adry Hayward visited his brother Harry, who is under sentence to hang for the murder of Catherine Gling. The meeting between the brothers was arranged by the parents, who beseeched the condemned man to see Adry once more before he died. He remained obstinate to their entreaties for a long time, but finally yielded, and sent by messengers a note reading: "Dear Adry:—I want you to come at once to the jail, as I wish particularly to see you. I have no other object than the desire to ask your forgiveness for any wrong, either real or imaginary, I may have done you. I want once more to see you on this earth. This is the wish and dying request of your brother."

HARRY. "When Adry reached the jail the two brothers engaged in interested conversation. What passed was not heard by any person until Harry raised his voice to say: 'Now I have done my part. I have forgiven you for all you have done. Now you do as I ask.' 'But, Harry, how can I?' returned Adry, appealingly.

The answer was too much for the prisoner. He sprang to his feet and poured forth a tirade of abuse never before heard in the old jail:

"You low down, mean, contemptible, miserable, damnable wretch. You refuse to do that, after what I have done. You God-forsaken tool. You have played a good part, but now I can tell you what I think of you. My letter to you was after all only a decoy for that purpose. You d—d villain. If I could only get at you I'd dig out your brains with a knife. I would tear out your heart with my hands. I would crush the two together, cut them to pieces, squeeze out the juice, make it into a pie and thrust it down your throat."

He clenched his hands in his rage and stamped his feet fiercely. His face was ashen and livid by turns. Adry sat quiet for a few minutes, but seeing the uselessness of waiting longer, arose and started to go.

"God bless you. Good-by, Harry," he called sadly, as he was about to go down the stairs.

"Oh, you villain," was the return greeting. "May the curse of God fall on you and yours and allow me to haunt you until your dying day. Ah! I will meet you on the brink of hell with a red-hot poker."

MURDERED BY A BOY.

A St. Joseph Officer Fatally Shot by a Twelve-Year-Old Boy.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Dec. 9.—Officer William H. Frans, of the police force, who is a member of the big four, the city's detective corps, was fatally shot yesterday by Abe Leibowitz, a 12-year-old son of S. Leibowitz, a pawnbroker at 312 Edmund street.

Constable Orin McCafferty of Atchison was here in search of a stolen watch which Frans located at Leibowitz's shop, and wanted to take to the Central station for identification. Leibowitz objected and Frans said he would take him along. A scuffle ensued, in which Leibowitz and his wife got the officer down on the floor. The boy procured a revolver from behind the counter and opened fire on the policeman. Five shots were fired, three of them taking effect, one in the back of the neck and one in the right side. Both plowed their way clear through Frans' body, and the third went through his left arm. The boy and his father are under arrest.

Murdered by Tramps.

EMPORIA, Kan., Dec. 9.—The body of Jack Harris, a well-known printer, at one time proof reader in the state printing office at Topeka, was found near the Santa Fe track in the east part of this city yesterday morning. Harris had been murdered. The deed is supposed to have been the work of tramps. Some money was found on the body but no letters. The remains were identified by printers in this city. Harris was formerly from North Carolina.

Shot His Wife and Then Himself.

DEXTER, Iowa, Dec. 9.—Grant Hibbs fatally shot his wife and committed suicide last night. When neighbors entered the house Mrs. Hibbs was holding her husband's head in her lap and a year-old baby on one arm, the baby playing in the blood that flowed from his father's wounds. Hibbs had been released from the Mount Pleasant Insane asylum as cured five weeks ago.

Omaha Flead to Hang.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 9.—George Morgan, who one month ago to-night, assaulted and killed 10-year-old Ida Gaskill, was found guilty of murder and sentenced to hang.

The Goulds Not Gothamites.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—Justice Russell in the special term of the Supreme court to-day handed down a decision which exempts from taxation the property of George J. Howard, Edwin and Helen M. Gould in this country, on the ground that they are non-residents. The residence of George J. Gould is stated as being at Lakewood, N. J., and that of the others at Irvington, N. J.

CONGRESSIONAL.

Dec. 2.—The American Congress is again in session. Promptly at noon the Senate and House of Representatives were called to order in their respective chambers amid scenes of animation and excitement marking the opening of a Congress. The House of Representatives passed into the control of the Republicans and Thomas Brackett Reed of Maine again assumed the speaker's gavel. Ex-Speaker Crisp assumed the leadership of the minority, and it was a significant fact that Mr. Payne of New York made the motion which usually devolves upon the leader of the majority. This is taken to mean that he is to be chairman of the ways and means committee and the recognized leader of the Republicans on the floor. All the Republicans voted for Mr. Reed. With one exception, all the Democrats for Mr. Crisp, and all the Populists for Mr. Bell. The exception was Mr. Crain, from Texas, who voted for his colleague, Mr. Culbertson of Texas. The result of the vote was: Reed, 231; Crisp, 95; Bell, 6; Culbertson, 1. In the Senate the usual opening proceedings occurred.

Dec. 3.—The President's message was read in both houses. In the House a large number of bills and joint resolutions were introduced. Many of these measures the House passed during the last session. Mr. Livingston of Georgia introduced a resolution calling for an investigation of the British Guiana-Venezuela boundary line dispute. There were 272 new bills and sixteen resolutions introduced in the Senate, but a large majority of the bills were reports of measures which failed to pass last session. Senator Peffer, of Texas, reintroduced their bills of last session, pertaining to silver coinage. Mr. Lodge of Massachusetts introduced a resolution for the approval of the Monroe doctrine, and Mr. Call of Florida a resolution directing that the insurgents of Cuba be recognized as belligerents.

Dec. 4.—The Senate worked, while the House enjoyed a recess, but most of the business transacted was of a routine character. Mr. Hoar showed a disposition toward co-operation in dealing with the Turkish question by offering a resolution denouncing the recent atrocities in Turkey, and assuring the executive branch of cordial indorsement by congress of a vigorous course for the protection of American citizens in Turkey and the suppression of barbarities against Christianity. The first formal speech of the session was made by Mr. Allen, Populist of Nebraska on Cuba and the Monroe doctrine. Mr. Allen urged the recognition of the Cuban insurgents, the annexation of Cuba and a strong foreign policy. The influx of bills continued, several hundred being added to those already introduced.

Dec. 5.—The session of the Senate was brief again. Its only feature, beyond the introduction of a bill by Senator Chandler of New Hampshire, for the free coinage of silver when England, France and Germany should enact similar legislation, were a resolution by his colleague, Senator Gallager, declaring it to be the sense of the Senate that it was unwise and inexpedient to retire the greenbacks, and a short speech by Senator Call of Florida in favor of the recognition of the Cuban revolutionists as belligerents.

Dec. 6.—The House was in session but half an hour, when it adjourned until Monday. Mr. Baker of New Hampshire, who has proclaimed war upon Secretary Agriculture Morton because of the latter's refusal to export an appropriation for the purchase of seeds for distribution among congressional constituents, attempted to put through a resolution calling upon the secretary for information upon the subject, but Mr. McMillin of Tennessee objected. Plans for the admission of Oklahoma, Arizona and New Mexico made their appearance, the first being presented by General Wheeler, who was chairman of the committee on territories in the last Congress, and the other two by the two new delegates of the respective territories, Messrs. Murphy and Catron.

LATE NEWS NOTES.

Durrant was denied a new trial. Nitrate trust has gone to pieces. General Edward Wright is dead at Des Moines, Iowa.

No silver legislation is likely at this session of Congress.

Colonel A. C. Hargrove, a prominent Alabama politician, committed suicide. Gasper county court house, Elwood, Neb., burned under suspicious circumstances.

All the townsites boards in Oklahoma have been abolished except No. 6 at Guthrie.

Said Pasha, president of the council of state of Turkey, has placed himself under British protection, fearing assassination from the Sultan's party.

Salisbury's answer to Secretary Olney indicates a temporizing policy on the part of England in the Venezuelan affair. An endless correspondence and long range diplomatic cross fire may be expected.

Joseph Hissmaier, formerly of Chicago, was assassinated at Matanzas, Nicaragua, one year ago and his property confiscated by the little snide government down there. Chicago relatives have just learned the truth.

Pittsburg coal miners and operators have agreed on sixty-four cents per ton from January to March and seventy cents per ton the remainder of the year, and also agree to abolish company stores and abandon strike methods.

Ironwood, Mich., men who went to the South African gold fields on promises to receive salaries ranging from \$3 a day to \$5,000 a year, write discouragingly. They say Johannesburg is a "human bee-hive," composed principally of sharpers of both sexes.

Peter Collins, for some months acting chief of police of New York city, has been appointed chief, he having passed a satisfactory examination.

Congressman Grosvenor of Ohio has introduced in the House a bill to hold military maneuvers of the militia on the Chickamauga battlefield each year.

David Parse, a farmer of Miller county, Mo., was arrested charged with having choked his wife to death and brutally assaulted a half witted white woman.

The bodies of four white men who had been killed by Apache Indians were found near St. Thomas, Ariz. The whole region is alarmed and all men are under arms.

Chairman Rozelle of the Missouri Populist committee predicted in St. Louis the nomination by the Populists of United States Senator Allen of Nebraska for President.

John Sulbanc, a bridge carpenter, was run over and instantly killed a mile west of Boonville, Mo., while sitting asleep on the track. He lived at Falmouth, Ky.

HORTON REVERSED.

Chief Justice Martin Disagrees With His Predecessor as to Redemption Law.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 9.—November 1, 1887, George A. Kirtland gave his note for \$1,500 running five years at eight per cent, securing the same by mortgage on a farm in Shawnee county. He afterward sold the farm to John L. Beverly subject to the mortgage. January 21, 1893, Martha Barnitz, holder of the mortgage, brought suit in foreclosure, and in July judgment was granted. In January, 1894, the sheriff sold the farm to Martha Barnitz for \$2,000. March 17, 1893, the mortgage redemption law went into effect. When a motion to confirm the sheriff's sale was made in the district court, Beverly asked that it be subject to the equity of redemption. The court refused and the case was taken on error into the supreme court which by a majority opinion rendered by Chief Justice Horton affirmed the court below.

A rehearing was asked for and granted and to-day Chief Justice Martin rendered a decision reversing his predecessor. He holds that the equity of redemption fixed by the law applies to the mortgages executed prior to the enactment of the statute and in his opinion he is sustained by Associate Justice Allen, the Populist member of the court. Associate Justice Johnston dissented.

LABOR GATHERING.

Fifteenth Convention of the American Federation Opened.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—The largest congress of labor leaders ever held, so far as the number represented and the interests involved are concerned began to-day at Madison Square Garden with the opening of the fifteenth annual convention of the American Federation of Labor. More than 800,000 organized workmen in the United States are sending their delegates, 115 in number—to represent them. Perhaps a million workmen would be nearer the mark, but the officers of the Federation are conservative as to numbers, and only reckon those who are in good standing with the subordinate unions.

Populist Organizer Held Up.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 9.—In one of the most public places in the city, the Walnut street entrance of the postoffice, a man was assaulted and robbed, perhaps fatally wounded, between the hours of 9 and 10 o'clock last night. The victim received a blow over the right side of the skull that caused concussion of the brain and paralysis of the right side of the body. He is Frank M. Elliott, aged 24 years, of Denton, Kan. By occupation he is an organizer of People's party clubs, and has been in the city ten days conferring with Chairman Rozelle of the State committee relative to starting out through the State to teach the doctrines of the party from the rostrum. Elliott's assailant is not known.

Funds for the Insurgents.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—A syndicate of American capitalists has been formed in this city to aid the Cuban insurgents. To Marquis de Santa Lucia, president of the provisional republic, a representative of the syndicate has made a proposition to loan the Cuban republic \$15,000,000, contingent on the recognition of belligerency by the United States government. In exchange the syndicate will accept \$45,000,000 in Cuban bonds, the same to be canceled from customs receipts immediately on the recognition by Spain of the Cuban republic, or a declaration of peace.

Atchison's "Healer" Busy.

ATCHISON, Kan., Dec. 7.—H. H. Wentworth, the Atchison "healer," who has lately been attracting a great deal of attention by his alleged power to heal the sick without seeing them, has found it necessary to temporarily quit his job as watchman at the Thirteenth street railroad crossing and give his entire attention to the afflicted. He has answered a thousand letters since he sprung into notoriety, and still has three secretaries engaged. He is being assisted by Christian Scientists without charge.

Ingalls for Harrison.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 9.—Ex-Senator John J. Ingalls visited General Harrison Saturday. He took occasion to say many complimentary things about General Harrison to the newspapers. The visit and the announcement of Mr. Ingalls that he is for Harrison are a surprise to the managers of General Harrison's campaign, who had supposed the ex-senator was committed to the support of Allison.

For the Soldiers' Home.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The board of managers of the Soldiers' home met and among other things decided to recommend to Congress that an appropriation of \$100,000 be made for erecting barracks at the Leavenworth home, and also for the erection of a quartermaster's building. The additional barracks to be provided are to accommodate about 1,000 more inmates. It is also proposed to provide a ward for the insane.

Dismissed by the Postmaster General. WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Postmaster General Wilson has dismissed William Hill of Mississippi, assistant superintendent of the free delivery department of the postoffice, and another clerk named Sullivan, now of the dead letter office, but formerly of the free delivery bureau, for giving out official information "and conspiracy to belittle the department."

If you would enjoy innocent fun, play with children.

Too much help is no help.

The first lie had the devil for its father.

Love will always do its best to bless and help.

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